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Applicant : George A. Provost Serial No.: Not Yet Assigned

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This communication is being filed prior to Applicant's receipt of a serial number for the above-captioned reissue application.

On May 4, 1997, Applicant filed, inter alia, a combined petition for reissue of Patent No. 5,315,740 and reissue declaration. The declaration stated that an Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) would be filed with the application for reissue. Due to an oversight, the IDS was not filed with the reissue application.

Applicant desires to remedy the oversight as quickly as possible by filing the IDS immediately. However, it is understood that the Office generally prefers that an applicant refrain from filing additional papers in an application until a serial number is assigned to the application.

Therefore, Applicant is only submitting a "Proposed Information Disclosure Statement" and a Form 1449 with this

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Communication. These papers are intended to provide notice of the art that Applicant intends to file with an IDS after receiving a serial number for the subject application.

Respectfully submitted,

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PROPOSED INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Applicant submits the references listed on the attached form PTO 1449.

Applicant also discloses the following information. In Interference No. 103,718, the opposing party has asserted invalidity of Provost claims 1-15 on the basis of Thomas EP 0 381 087, Provost U.S. Patent No. 4,984,339, and sales of hooks described in the specification of the '740 patent in a motion under Rule 1.633(a); copies of the motion, opposition, and reply are submitted herewith. In addition, prior art sales of textile and molded hook products are described in the Declarations of George A. Provost (First and Second), Sari Ann Strasburg (First and Second), Wil DeHollander, and Deborah S. Covatis, copies of which are enclosed herewith.

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